

## Assembly

### Record of Committee Proceedings

#### **Committee on Renewable Energy and Rural Affairs**

##### **Assembly Bill 408**

Relating to: financial assistance related to bioenergy feedstocks, biorefineries, and conversion to biomass energy; the definition of the term agricultural use for the purpose of determining the assessed value of a parcel of land; requiring a strategic bioenergy feedstock assessment; creation of a bioenergy council; the agricultural and forestry diversification programs; biofuels training assessment; a study of regulatory burdens relating to biofuel production facilities; marketing orders and agreements for bioenergy feedstocks; exempting personal renewable fuel production and use from the motor vehicle fuel tax, the petroleum inspection fee, and business tax registration requirements; an income and franchise tax credit for installing or retrofitting pumps that mix motor vehicle fuels from separate storage tanks; offering gasoline that is not blended with ethanol to motor fuel dealers; state renewable motor vehicle fuels sales goals; required sales of renewable motor vehicle fuels; use of petroleum-based transportation fuels by state vehicles; use of alternative fuels in flex fuel vehicles owned by the state; use of public alternative fuel refueling facilities; duties of the Office of Energy Independence; granting rule-making authority; requiring the exercise of rule-making authority; making appropriations; and providing penalties.

By Joint Legislative Council.

August 31, 2009      Referred to Committee on Renewable Energy and Rural Affairs.

October 7, 2009      **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present:    (12)    Representatives Jorgensen, Hilgenberg,  
Radcliffe, Garthwaite, Smith, Dexter, Danou,  
Vruwink, Tauchen, Petrowski, Lothian and  
Ballweg.

Absent:    (3)    Representatives Wood, Davis and Ripp.

##### Appearances For

- Gary Radloff, Madison — DATCP
- Bob Oleson — Wisconsin Corn Growers Association
- Bob Welch — WI Bio-Industry Alliance
- James Redding, Pekin — Renewable Fuels Association
- Timothy Baye, Lancarte — Self
- Pat Kreitlow, Madison

##### Appearances Against

- Scott Manley, Madison — Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce

- Dan Gunderson, Middleton — American Petroleum Institute
- Erin Roth, Madison — American Petroleum Institute

Appearances for Information Only

- David Jenkins, Madison — Office of Energy Independence

Registrations For

- Amber Smith, Madison — Clean Wisconsin
- Jay Schmelling, Merrill — Wisconsin Pipe Trades Assoc.
- Terry Hayden, Milwaukee — Wisconsin Pipe Trades
- Jay Stoflet, Oshkosh — Renew Fuel Stations
- Jennifer Giegerich, Madison — Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters
- Paul Zimmerman — Wisconsin Farm Bureau
- Scott Suder, Madison — 69th Assembly District

Registrations Against

- Pat Osbourne, Madison — Marathon Oil
- Kevin Traas, Madison — WI Transportation Builders Assn.
- Marc Bentley, Madison — Wisconsin Engine Manufacturers and Distributors Alliance
- Marc Bentley, Madison — Schneider National
- Marc Bentley, Madison — Wisconsin Motor Carriers Association
- Marc Bentley, Madison — Marten Transport

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

October 22, 2009

**EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

- Present: (14) Representatives Jorgensen, Hilgenberg, Radcliffe, Garthwaite, Smith, Dexter, Danou, Vruwink, Tauchen, Petrowski, Lothian, Ballweg, Davis and Ripp.
- Absent: (1) Representative Wood.

Moved by Representative Davis, seconded by Representative Lothian that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

- Ayes: (4) Representatives Radcliffe, Lothian, Ballweg and Davis.

Noes: (9) Representatives Jorgensen, Hilgenberg, Garthwaite, Smith, Dexter, Danou, Vruwink, Tauchen and Petrowski.

Absent: (1) Representative Wood.

Recused:(1) Representative Ripp.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 ADOPTION NOT RECOMMENDED, Ayes 4, Noes 9

Assembly amendment LRBa0928 introduction by unanimous consent of committee

Moved by Representative Tauchen, seconded by Representative Dexter that **Assembly Amendment 2** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (13) Representatives Jorgensen, Hilgenberg, Radcliffe, Garthwaite, Smith, Dexter, Danou, Vruwink, Tauchen, Petrowski, Lothian, Ballweg and Davis.

Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (1) Representative Wood.

Recused:(1) Representative Ripp.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2 ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 13, Noes 0

Moved by Representative Vruwink, seconded by Representative Petrowski that **Assembly Bill 408** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (12) Representatives Jorgensen, Hilgenberg, Radcliffe, Garthwaite, Smith, Dexter, Danou, Vruwink, Tauchen, Petrowski, Lothian and Ballweg.

Noes: (1) Representative Davis.

Absent: (1) Representative Wood.

Recused:(1) Representative Ripp.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 12, Noes 1

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Darryl Teske  
Committee Clerk